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Remote monitoring and central control system for vending machines - has central computer for stock control and warning system via telephone network

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The status of several vending machines, i.e. stock of goods, temp. coin change, illegal access, 'jack potting' etc. is monitored by a central computer. A control circuit establishes 'phone or radio communication at regular intervals, with data transfer taking less than ten seconds. Illegal access is identified by detecting an irregular push button sequence.

A processor module is installed in each vending machine. It comprises a microprocessor with the usual auxiliary circuits and a telephone network interface. It may be adapted to suit most models of vending machines and is initialized by defining the machine identity

code and storing information specific to this machine.

Title Terms: REMOTE; MONITOR; CENTRAL; CONTROL; SYSTEM; VENDING;
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